

REMARKS:

Independent Claims 1 and 12 have been amended and new independent Claim 21 has been added.

The original dependent claims have been amended and some which are redundant have been cancelled. Corresponding dependent claims have been added depending from Claim 21.

The total number of claims does not exceed 20 and the total number of independent claims is three so that no claims fees are due.

The claims now presented follow substantially verbatim those allowed in Canada after extensive review by the Canadian Examiner. The Canadian application will issue to Patent No: 2,513,387 in the next few weeks.

The Canadian Examiner cited and considered the following references:

US patent no: 4,386,231, issued May 31, 1983 to Vokey.

US patent no: 6,175,310, issued January 16, 2001 to Gott

US patent no: 6,377,181, issued April 23, 2002 to Kroll et al.

The PCT search cited only Gott.

In addition a PTO 1449 is filed herewith listing other documents raised in other related cases together with copies of the two foreign patents.

It is submitted that the claims presented herein are in good order for allowance.

Respectfully submitted

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